

+ Opening Song

*We Won't Be Shaken*

This world has nothing for me, This life is not my own  
I know You go before me and I am not alone  
This mountain rises higher, The way seems so unclear  
But I know that You go with me so I will never fear, I will trust in You

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain  
We won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken  
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing  
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken  
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh  
No we won't be shaken

You know my every longing, You've heard my every prayer  
You've held me in my weakness, Cause You are always there  
So I'll stand in full surrender, It's Your way and not my own  
My mind is set on nothing less, Than You and You alone  
I will not be moved oh

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain  
We won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken  
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing  
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken

We will trust in You, We will not be moved  
We will trust in You, And we won't be shaken  
[x3]

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**Our Community Gathers**

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Announcements

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ Exchange of Peace

Rev. Troy Treash

**Black  
History  
Month**

*Fannie Lou  
Hamer*

"I feel sorry for anybody that could let hate wrap them up. Ain't no such thing as I can hate anybody and hope to see God's face."

– Fannie Lou Hamer

In the summer of 1962, Hamer made a life-changing decision to attend a protest meeting. She met civil rights activists there who were there to encourage African Americans to register to vote. On August 31, 1962, she traveled with 17 others to the county courthouse in Indianola to accomplish this goal. They were unsuccessful.

Hamer dedicated her life to the fight for civil rights, working for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, a mostly African-American group of students who engaged in acts of civil disobedience to fight racial segregation and injustice in the South. These acts often were met with violent responses. Hamer was beaten so badly that she suffered permanent kidney damage at the hands of the police. In 1964, Hamer helped found the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party, which was established in opposition to her state's all-white delegation to

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+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

that year's Democratic convention. She brought the civil rights struggle in Mississippi to the attention of the entire nation during a televised session at the convention.

"One day I know the struggle will change.

There's got to be a change—not only for Mississippi, not only for the people in the United States, but people all over the world."

— Fannie Lou Hamer

## Rev. DeWayne L. Davis

is the Senior Pastor of All God's Children MCC in Minneapolis. Rev. DeWayne recently served as the Domestic Policy Analyst in The Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations where he represented before the U.S. Congress and the Executive Office of the President the domestic social policies established by the Episcopal Church's General Convention and Executive Council.

This included work on issues of human rights, welfare, poverty, hunger, health care, violence, civil rights, the environment, and issues involving women and children.

He currently serves on the MCC Global Justice Institute's Public Policy Team and served as the Program Coordinator for the 2011 MCC People of African Descent Conference. Rev. DeWayne lives in Minneapolis with his husband, Kareem, and their dog, Dmitri.

## Gathering Song

### *This Is A Day Of New Beginnings*

This is a day of new beginnings,  
Time to remember and move on,  
Time to believe what love is bringing,  
Laying to rest the pain that's gone.

In faith we'll gather round the table  
To show and share what love can do.  
This is a day of new beginnings;  
Our God is making all things new.

by Brian Wren

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## First Reading

Shawty Augustine

An Excerpt from *Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?*

by Martin Luther King, Jr.

Some years ago a famous novelist died. Among the papers was found a list of suggested plots for future stories, the most prominently underscored being this one: 'A widely separated family inherits a house in which they have to live together.' This is the great new problem of [humankind]. We have inherited a large house, a great 'world house' in which we have to live together—black and white, Easterner and Westerner, Gentile and Jew, Catholic and Protestant, Moslem and Hindu—a family unduly separated in ideas, culture and interest, who, because we can never again live apart, must learn somehow to live with each other in peace."

One: In these words, God's voice is heard.

**All: Amen.**

## Special Music

Ketric Braggs

### *I'm Available To You*

by Carlis L. Moody

## + Scripture Lesson

Marion Kirby

### *Matthew 5:21-26*

"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

Gospel Ensemble

***God Is Good***  
Words and Music by Chester D.T. Baldwin

**Sermon**

Rev. DeWayne Davis

***Creating Change: An Altar-ed State of Being***

**Sermon Reflection**

Mark C. Brown

**We Offer Ourselves**

Darrell Mayon

**Offertory**

Gospel Ensemble

***I Need You To Survive***  
Words and Music by Hezekiah Walker

**Receiving Our Gifts**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

**Communion**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz  
Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

## Creating Change Series

We launch 2014 with a Creating Change sermon series from January 12--February 23 adding some guest preachers along the way: Rev. Elder Mona West, Rev. Elder Hector Gutiérrez, and Rev. DeWayne Davis.

Change is a life process. Change is ongoing as we seek to transform ourselves as we transform the world. Transformation is an intentional change. Whether it is to stop old habits, to create new habits, to challenge unjust systems, or to go deeper with God, change can be created with care. Do you resist change even when you know it is good for you? Is change difficult, no matter how much you are desiring it? Or does the thought of change, simply overwhelm you or make you feel powerless? Do you have passion for change but want some company and tools to get there?

Join us for this Creating Change series as we stay on the journey to live out our core values and create both a life that matters and a church that matters.

## Communion

As we gather, break bread, and tell stories of hope through prayer, song and ritual in the practice we call "communion," we bear witness that "Life is stronger than death. People can change with God's help. And God is worthy of our thanks and praise." All are welcome at the table: you do not need to be a member of this or any church to gather as God's children at the table of Life.

A brief blessing is offered with bread and juice, available to all. Gluten-free bread is offered at the far right; Spanish blessing offered at the far left.

Please honor this time of sacred community with singing, quiet meditation or prayer that we might each receive the spiritual nourishment we seek ...

## Comunión

Al reunirnos, partir el pan, y contar historias de esperanza a través de la oración, el canto y el ritual en la práctica que llamamos "comunión", damos testimonio de que "la vida es más fuerte que la muerte. Las personas pueden cambiar con la ayuda de Dios. Y Dios es digno de nuestro agradecimiento y alabanza." Todos están invitados a la mesa: no es necesario ser miembro de esta iglesia o cualquier reunir como hijos de Dios en la mesa de la Vida.

Una breve bendición se ofrece con el pan y el jugo, al alcance de todos. Pan sin gluten se ofrece en el extremo derecho; bendición españoles ofrecen en el extremo izquierdo.

Por favor respetar este tiempo de comunidad sagrada con canto, la meditación o la oración silenciosa para que podamos recibir cada uno el alimento espiritual que buscamos ...

## Communion Songs

### *In Remembrance*

by Ragan Courtney and Buryl Red  
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### *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Words and Music by Thomas Dorsey  
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### *Make Us One Lord*

Music by Carol Cymbala  
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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

## + Closing Song

### *We Shall Overcome*

We shall overcome  
We shall overcome  
We shall overcome some day  
Oh, deep in my heart  
I do believe  
We shall overcome some day

We'll walk hand in hand  
We'll walk hand in hand  
We'll walk hand in hand some day  
Oh, deep in my heart  
I do believe  
We shall overcome some day

We shall all be free  
We shall all be free  
We shall all be free some day  
Oh, deep in my heart  
I do believe  
We shall overcome some day

by Jack Hayford  
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## + Benediction

Rev. DeWayne Davis

## + Postlude

Mark C. Brown

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# Welcome!

If you are attending Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church for the first time, we are glad to have you here! We invite you to join us each week as we worship God and learn more about Christian living in an inclusive way. All are welcome.

**Make sure to visit the Concierge Desk, located in our Welcome Area, to receive a gift from us. You will find friendly volunteer hosts waiting to greet you.**

## Worship Services

Resurrection MCC is proud to offer a variety in our worship services. Our two Sunday services, at 9 & 11 am, are identical in form, however they contain different elements from diverse religious traditions each week.

## A Special Welcome to First-Time Families!

Our nursery staff would love to meet you and your infants & children aged one month through three years! The nursery is located to the right of the Sanctuary entrance and is open during both the 9 & 11 am services.

Children and youth aged 4 - 17 years are invited to join our Youth Ministries Program during the 11 am service in the Activities Building (located across the breezeway from our main parking lot). Sign-in begins at 10:45 am. All children must be registered and signed-in to attend. Parents are welcome to join the children for Communion at Noon in the Activities Building. Snack & sign-outs begin at 12:15 pm.

## About Us...

Resurrection MCC is a Christian church that follows God's call to justice for all people. We build on a rich history of social justice for, and on behalf of, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people. Since its founding in 1968, Metropolitan Community Churches have been at the vanguard of civil and human rights movements as an international advocate for vulnerable people in places where religious orthodoxy, sexism, transphobia and homophobia can result in violence and death. MCC has been on the forefront in the struggle towards marriage equality in the US and other countries worldwide and continues to be a powerful voice in the LGBTQ equality movement. MCC's ministry reaches over 43,000 members in over 250 churches in 22 countries worldwide.

Metropolitan Community Churches are on a bold mission to transform hearts, lives, and history. We are a movement that faithfully proclaims God's inclusive love for all people and proudly bears witness to the holy integration of spirituality and sexuality. Because of our faith we are called to: do justice, show kindness, and live humbly with God (Micah 6:8); explore life's questions with open hearts and minds; raise our voices in sacred defiance against exclusion, whether religious, political or systemic; reach out to those with no hope; equip new generations of remarkable, far-reaching spiritual activists.

The **MISSION** of Resurrection MCC is to demonstrate God's unconditional love to all people through Christ-like action.

The **VISION** of Resurrection MCC is to **ATTRACT** people into a relationship with God through radical **INCLUSION** into God's family, transform them to Christ-like **MATURITY**, and **MOBILIZE** them for their life purpose.

At Resurrection MCC, every member and friend is a minister of the church. We envision a Christian community that values diversity and is as diverse and all-encompassing as creation. Through salvation, service, study, and tithing, each member and friend will live and grow in faith and be spiritually fed. We embrace four core values:

## Core Values

### Inclusion

Love is our greatest moral value and resisting exclusion is a primary focus of our ministry. We want to continue to be the conduits of a faith where everyone is included in the family of God, and where all parts of our being are welcomed at God's table.

### Community

Offering a safe and open community for people to worship, learn and grow in their faith is our deep desire. We are committed to equipping ourselves and each other to do the work that God has called us to do in the world.

### Spiritual Transformation

Providing a message of liberation from the oppressive religious environment of our day or to those experiencing God for the first time is what guides our ministry. We believe that when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ, lives will be transformed.

### Social Action

Working to talk less and do more, we are committed to resisting the structures that oppress people and standing with to those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems, being guided always by our commitment to Global Human Rights.

**Worship** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am  
**Children & Youth Worship** | Sunday, 11 am  
**Nursery** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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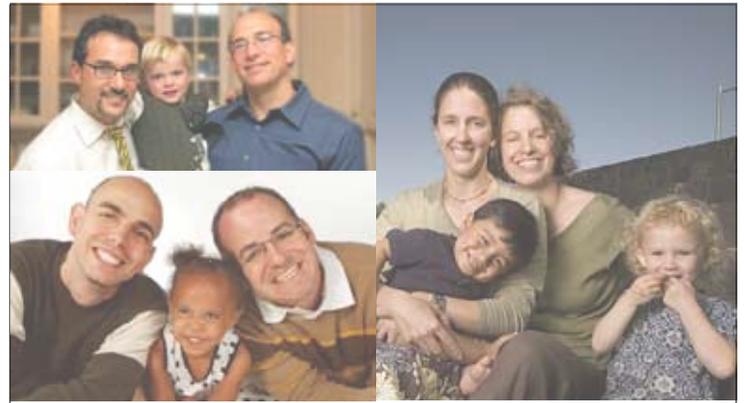
# BRUNCH BUDDIES

**TODAY  
& EVERY SUNDAY**

12:30 pm • Gathering Place

All are invited to join other congregants after church for brunch at a nearby restaurant. If you want to meet and connect with other worshippers, simply meet in the Gathering Place at 12:30 pm (immediately after the 11 am service) and we'll decide where to eat. Whether you're a long time congregant or a first time visitor, consider yourself invited to become a brunch buddy every Sunday!

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



# WE ARE FAMILY! PHOTO DAY

# TODAY

Noon - 1 pm • Activities Building

Join us for photos and a whole lot of lovin' fun as our Youth Ministry Program hosts this wonderful time of letting our love shine!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140216](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140216)  
Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org



# LEGAL LOVE:

Legal Documents  
Workshop for Couples

# TODAY

## DOCUMENT REVIEW

1 - 3 pm • Gathering Place

Nothing says "I love you" like getting your essential legal documents in order! Join church members, friends, and lawyers for a free "Legal Love" workshop and learn about the documents you need to safeguard your love in the eyes of the law. You will learn exactly what it takes to "Be Mine" in every legal way possible as LGBTQ partners. Then, return with your completed docs one of the next two Sundays (Feb 16 or 23) - and receive free legal review and notarization. Now that's love!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/LDWFC2014](http://www.bit.ly/LDWFC2014)  
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# THE FOUR AGREEMENTS: AN INTERACTIVE BOOK STUDY

WEDNESDAYS

# FEBRUARY 19 & 26

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

As we practice The Four Agreements we are freed from the chaos and conflict which comes when our thoughts, feelings, and actions are at odds with our spiritual intentions. Very simply we ask ourselves: Am I honoring myself and others with my word? Do I take responsibility for my beliefs and choices? Do I realize the choices of others reflect their reality and not mine? Am I open to seeing and hearing beyond the confines of my personal perceptions and stories?

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-FA2014](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-FA2014)  
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# GROWING FAMILIES SUNDAY SERIES

SUNDAY  
**FEBRUARY 23**  
1 - 2:30 pm

Fourth Sundays this season our families are growing spiritually together and there is something for parents and children of all ages! Nursery care is available for infants through Pre-K with pre-registration email to [Nursery@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Nursery@ResurrectionMCC.org). We love our families!

## KIDS MOVIE & PIZZA

Activities Building & Sanctuary

Our schoolage kids ages K-12 years will enjoy pizza lunch in the Activities Building and then watch a kids' movie in honor of Black History Month, "The Watsons Go to Birmingham" on the big screens in the Sanctuary.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223a](http://www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223a)

## GENERATION FAITH TEENS: KEEP IT REAL SESSIONS

Activities Building

In these "keep it real" sessions teens will be encouraged to express their unique voice through spoken word, to explore what the Bible has to say about sex and sexuality (and what that might or might not mean to them), and to talk about dating in this new age of technology with the reality of virtual violence. Guest presenters will partner with our facilitators for these sessions.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223b](http://www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223b)

## DARING PARENTS WORKSHOP

Gathering Place

In her book "Daring Greatly" Dr. Brene Brown writes "Even though the vulnerability of parenting is terrifying at times ... it is our richest, most fertile ground for teaching and cultivating connection, meaning, and love." Join other parents, exploring and encouraging becoming "Daring Parents" together!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223c](http://www.bit.ly/GFSS-20140223c)

FILM SCREENING & PANEL DISCUSSION:

## "Before God: We are all Family /Antes Dios: Todos Somos Familia."

FRIDAY  
**FEBRUARY 21**  
7 - 8:30 pm • Sanctuary

Join Rev. Elder Hector Gutierrez and pastors from the MCC Ibero-American Network (Latin America) for a film screening of the documentary "Before God: We are all Family / Antes Dios: Todos Somos Familia." The film portays a story of reconciliation that documents the compelling journey of five Latino families who reconcile their unbreakable love for each other. A panel discussion will follow.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221b](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221b)  
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## FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH

FRIDAY  
**FEBRUARY 21**  
7 - 9 pm

**Hibacha Grill & Super Buffet**  
2020 Interstate 45, Conroe, TX  
936-788-9999

Join your Resurrection friends on the North side of town for a night filled with good food, good friends and good conversation!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221n](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221n)  
[FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# FRIDAY NIGHT OUT SOUTH



FRIDAY  
**FEBRUARY 21**  
7 - 9 pm

## La Brisa Mexican Grill

501 N Wesley Dr, League City, TX 77573  
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Join our NEWEST social dinner gathering for our friends South of Houston!

These monthly dinner gatherings are a great way to reconnect with those you may already know and is an opportunity to meet new folks and friends.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221s](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140221s)  
FridayNightOUTSouth@ResurrectionMCC.org

# SPIRITS & SPIRITUALITY NO RULES. NO RELIGION.

THURSDAY  
**FEBRUARY 27**  
7:30 - 9 pm

**545 Studewood, Houston 77007**  
Home of Will Carr

Join other MCCers for a casual evening filled with spiritual conversation and fun fellowship. This is an opportunity to explore the spiritual and non-religious aspects of relationships and life challenges in a casual environment. You are encouraged to bring a dish or a beverage of choice and enjoy a time of fellowship and conversation.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140227](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140227)  
Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org



## HIV / STD Testing

by Planned Parenthood

SUNDAY  
**FEBRUARY 23**

Gathering Place  
after both services

Free rapid HIV testing (results in 15 minutes), as well as standard testing for Gonorrhea, Chlamydia, Hepatitis C, and Syphilis (results in 2 weeks). Knowing your HIV and STD status is the best way for you to stay healthy and avoid spreading sexually transmitted illnesses. Get tested and take control.

[www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)



## CRITICAL MASS BIKE RIDE - GOT LOVE?

FRIDAY  
**FEBRUARY 28**

6:45 - 9:30 pm

Market Square Park, 301 Milam, Houston

*Calling all Bicyclists!*

Join fellow Resurrection MCC bikers for a Critical Mass Bike Ride - a casual mass bike ride around the city, intended to raise awareness and advocate a bicycle-friendly urban environment. All bikes and skill-levels are welcomed. The ride will last around 2 hours - about 20 miles. Meet at 6:45pm on the corner nearest Congress Ave and Travis St. in Downtown Houston. Look for the GOT LOVE? Resurrection MCC Shirts!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140228](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140228)  
FAQs - [www.houstoncriticalmass.com/faq](http://www.houstoncriticalmass.com/faq)  
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



# “EVERY PRAISE” BLACK HISTORY MONTH CONCERT

FRIDAY  
**FEBRUARY 28**  
7 - 8:30 pm • Sanctuary

The Resurrection MCC Gospel Ensemble, under the direction of Ms. Cassandra White, invites you to come and experience God’s Anointed Word through Song. A reception, sponsored by the Sanctuary Choir, will follow the concert. The concert is free and an offering will be received for our General Fund. Child care for children one month through three years provided.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/GE-Concert](http://www.bit.ly/GE-Concert)  
[Cassandra@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Cassandra@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

ALL AGES WELCOME

SATURDAY  
**MARCH 1**

Noon - 1:30 pm

**545 Studewood, Houston 77007**  
Home of Will Carr

The Young Adults of Resurrection MCC invite those of all ages to join them for a fun brunch and an opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with those you may already know. You are encouraged to bring a dish or a beverage of choice and enjoy a time of fellowship and conversation.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140301](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140301)  
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# WHOLEHEARTED LIVING 1/2 DAY WORKSHOP

SATURDAY  
**MARCH 1**  
10 am - 2 pm • Gathering Place

In her shame-resilience research, Dr. Brene Brown affirms “our deepest search is for a life lived with three elements: 1) authenticity, 2) love and belonging, and 3) a resilient spirit.” She names this “WholeHearted living.” In this 1/2-Day workshop we’ll work with Dr. Brown’s wonderful shame-resilience process to move from shame to empathy and make way for WholeHearted Living! Workshop can stand alone or lead into the “Release Shame & Claim Authenticity” Lenten Series (page 14).

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140301b](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140301b)  
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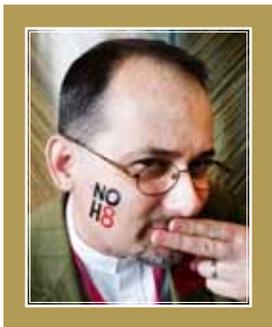


# IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY  
**MARCH 1**  
2 - 4 pm • Activities Building

“Imani” means Faith in Swahili, and “Vida” means Life in Spanish. Join us as we explore life and faith through drumming! If you like to drum or have an interest in drumming, join us as we make music through all sorts of percussion instruments: hand drums, shakers, rain sticks and even the sound of foot stomping music. Drummers of all skill levels are welcome. No prior drumming experience is required to participate in our circle. We only ask that you bring your desire to be a part of our community drum circle. We meet every first Saturday of the month in the Gathering Place, as well as other locations for other special drumming occasions.

Details & RSVP: [www.meetup.com/drummingcircle](http://www.meetup.com/drummingcircle)  
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You are invited to  
**A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION**  
 for  
**REV. TROY PLUMMER TREASH**

Senior Pastor of  
 Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church

**SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 3:00 - 5:00 PM**

Resurrection MCC - Sanctuary  
 2025 West 11th Street, Houston, TX 77008

*Reception following in the Gathering Place.  
 Clergy are invited to participate.  
 Please bring a red stole.*

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140306](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140306)  
 RevTroy@ResurrectionMCC.org



# ASH WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY  
**MARCH 5**  
 7 - 8 pm • Sanctuary

*From dust we have been formed; to dust we shall return . . .*

As we acknowledge the impermanence of our bodies, we claim the eternal Light within each of us. Join us as we enter into the season of Lent, reaching toward the Holy and releasing all that would deny the Light within. A ritual imposition of ashes will be included in this time of worship for those who choose to receive them.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140305](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140305)  
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Sam Houston Park – Downtown Houston  
**Sunday, March 9, 2014**

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**25<sup>TH</sup> AIDS WALK**  
 HOUSTON 2014

**Strive for 25!**



**Full Details: [www.bit.ly/AWH2014](http://www.bit.ly/AWH2014)**

**8 am - Registration**  
**9 am - Welcome**  
**10 am - Walk Begins!**

Resurrection MCC is blessed again this year to have been chosen as a benefiting agency of the 2014 Houston AIDS Walk. This means that nearly 70% of the funds our team raises comes back to Resurrection MCC to support our HIV/AIDS Benevolence Fund. This fund provides critical financial support to those affected by HIV and AIDS. Many of our clients come to us struggling to receive all the support they need from agencies in our area. With your help, we are able to assist with rent, utilities, and other expenses.

Proceeds from AIDS Walk Houston also benefit AIDS Foundation Houston and nine other local HIV/AIDS service organizations. This provides 100,000 Houstonians each year with education, pediatric programs, housing, food, medical care, counseling, and job training.

Ways to Participate:

**WALK & RAISE FUNDS** - Join our team at [www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014](http://www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014). For PARTICIPANT TYPE, select "Walker." For ROLE, select "Join a Team." For CHOOSE A TEAM, select "Resurrection MCC." Once you register, you will find all the information you need to create a personal page and send out electronic fundraising opportunities to your friends, family, and coworkers.

**BE A "VIRTUAL" WALKER & RAISE FUNDS** - If you are unable to join us on March 9 for the 3.1 mile walk due to a prior commitment or physical difficulty, you may still participate with fundraising. First, register online at [www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014](http://www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014). For PARTICIPANT TYPE, select "Virtual Walker." For ROLE, select "Join a Team." For CHOOSE A TEAM, select "Resurrection MCC." Once you register, you will find all the information you need to create a personal page and send out electronic fundraising opportunities to your friends, family, and coworkers.

**DONATE** - If you aren't able to walk with us or help us raise funds, we would still love and appreciate your financial support of our team. Simply go to [www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014donate](http://www.bit.ly/AIDSWalk2014donate) and select one of our Walkers to make your donation. And remember, 70% returns to Resurrection MCC to fund our HIV/AIDS Benevolence Fund. To donate to a member of our AIDS Walk team,

Our official t-shirt for the walk this year is our popular "Got Love?" t-shirts. They are available in Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Gift shop on Sundays. (This is suggested attire and is not required for participation)

Thank you for your continued support of those affected by HIV/AIDS both inside and beyond our walls!



## SACRED SERVICE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

THURSDAY  
**MARCH 6**  
 6:30 pm • Gathering Place

All Volunteer Team Leaders are invited to a once a month meeting for training, connection, and support from other leaders at Resurrection MCC. We will gather for connection over a meal at 6:30 pm and discuss agenda items and ministry priorities at 7 pm. A representative from every ministry area is asked to contribute through your presence. Special guests from the community will join us periodically.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140306](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140306)  
 RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



## THE NEW OLD SCHOOL (LENTEN) **BIBLE STUDY!**

MONDAYS  
**MARCH 10 - APRIL 14**  
 7 - 8 pm • Gathering Place

The New Old School Bible Study returns, just in time for Lent! The name says it all! You, plus the Bible, minus the dogma, equals more excitement with The Word than you ever thought possible! Whether you have never cracked open the Good Book, or if you have whole sections memorized, you are welcome to join us for some spirited Bible study as we join Jesus in the desert, on the mountain, and at the well during this special season of drawing near The Holy!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-Lent2014](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-Lent2014)  
 RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org

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### FISHERS NET PRAYER MINISTRY

*Fishers Net offers personal prayers on Sundays at the Prayer Wall after the 11:00 am Worship Service. Please email your prayer request to [Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org).*

**Board Member on Duty**  
 Eddie Domingue and Janetta Ross  
 Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

### General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended February 9, 2014

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$20,026.10	\$98,671.44
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,837.38	\$107,024.26
Total Giving Variance		(\$8,352.82)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,445.24	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,837.38	
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	469	466
Programming	84	130
Total Weekly Attendance	553	595

**Ministry Plan Need** is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2013 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

# This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
1:00 pm	Legal Love: Documents Review	Activities Building
3:00 pm	Houston Heights Orchestra Concert	Sanctuary

## MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 17

6:30 pm	Living Your Voice 102	Chapel
7:00 pm	Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Grief Recovery Method	Gathering Place

## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18

6:00 pm	Resurrection Praise Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19

7:00 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	The Four Agreements	Gathering Place

## THURSDAY FEBRUARY 20

7:00 pm	First Impressions Leadership Team	Senior Pastor Office
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## FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 21

12:00 am	MCC Hispanic Network Meeting	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Friday Night Out - South	La Brisa Mexican Grill
7:00 pm	"We are all Family" Film & Panel	Gathering Place

## SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 22

8:00 am	Body Blast Fitness Camp	Activities Building
9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
11:00 am	Praise Dance Rehearsal	Sanctuary

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
1:00 pm	Generation Faith: Keep It Real Sessions	Activities Building
1:00 pm	Daring Parents Workshops	Gathering Place
1:00 pm	Kids Movie and a Pizza!	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Legal Love: Documents Review	Activities Building



## BOBBY JO VALENTINE ACOUSTIC CONCERT

BENEFITTING MONTROSE GRACE PLACE

SUNDAY

# MARCH 16

4:30 - 5:30 pm • Gathering Place

Back by popular demand, Bobby Jo Valentine offers this free, acoustic concert with David Sachs on bass. They will be performing previous hits as well as songs from his just-released album, "Home."

A love offering will be received to support the artists as well as Montrose Grace Place, which provides a safe, welcoming environment for vulnerable homeless youth of all sexualities and genders, providing nourishment, healthy relationships and hope for the future.

Guests are also encouraged to bring a clothing donation for Montrose Grace Place. Items most in need include: socks, feminine underwear, boxers, jackets, blankets and warm clothing.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140316](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140316)  
Bobby Jo Valentine: [www.bobbyjovalentine.com](http://www.bobbyjovalentine.com)  
Montrose Grace Place: [montrosegaceplace.blogspot.com](http://montrosegaceplace.blogspot.com)  
MarkB@ResurrectionMCC.org



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LANDSCAPE AND FACILITIES PROJECT

SATURDAY

# FEBRUARY 22

9 am - 1 pm

Ten volunteers and tools (masonry tools, brick hammers, sledgehammers, wheelbarrows) are needed to complete the brick wall project outside our main church office. Volunteers will help remove the remaining two brick sections. Lunch provided at Noon. (Rain date is Saturday, March 1, 9 am - 1 pm). Sign up in the Gathering Place after Worship today.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140222](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140222)  
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org